

**Exhibit A**

**Stipulation**

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re :  
: Chapter 11  
SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION, *et al.*, :  
: Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)  
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Debtors.<sup>1</sup> : (Jointly Administered)  
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**STIPULATION AND ORDER BY AND AMONG  
SELLERS, BUYER, AND MOAC MALL HOLDINGS LLC EXTENDING TIME  
UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 365(d)(4) FOR LEASE OF NONRESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY**

This Stipulation and Order (the Stipulation and Order) is made as of July 23, 2019, by and between Sears Holdings Corporation and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the “Debtors”), Transform Holdco LLC, as Buyer (the “Buyer”) and MOAC Mall Holdings LLC (the “Landlord” and together with the Debtors and the Buyer, the “Parties”), through their respective and duly authorized counsel of record.

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, are as follows: Sears Holdings Corporation (0798); Kmart Holding Corporation (3116); Kmart Operations LLC (6546); Sears Operations LLC (4331); Sears, Roebuck and Co. (0680); ServiceLive Inc. (6774); SHC Licensed Business LLC (3718); A&E Factory Service, LLC (6695); A&E Home Delivery, LLC (0205); A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC (5028); A&E Signature Service, LLC (0204); FBA Holdings Inc. (6537); Innovel Solutions, Inc. (7180); Kmart Corporation (9500); MaxServ, Inc. (7626); Private Brands, Ltd. (4022); Sears Development Co. (6028); Sears Holdings Management Corporation (2148); Sears Home & Business Franchises, Inc. (6742); Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc. (8591); Sears Insurance Services, L.L.C. (7182); Sears Procurement Services, Inc. (2859); Sears Protection Company (1250); Sears Protection Company (PR) Inc. (4861); Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. (0535); SR – Rover de Puerto Rico, LLC (f/k/a Sears, Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc.) (3626); SYW Relay LLC (1870); Wally Labs LLC (None); SHC Promotions LLC (9626); Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC (None); California Builder Appliances, Inc. (6327); Florida Builder Appliances, Inc. (9133); KBL Holding Inc. (1295); KLC, Inc. (0839); Kmart of Michigan, Inc. (1696); Kmart of Washington LLC (8898); Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC (8897); Kmart Stores of Texas LLC (8915); MyGofer LLC (5531); Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation (4658); Sears Holdings Publishing Company, LLC. (5554); Sears Protection Company (Florida), L.L.C. (4239); SHC Desert Springs, LLC (None); SOE, Inc. (9616); StarWest, LLC (5379); STI Merchandising, Inc. (0188); Troy Coolidge No. 13, LLC (None); BlueLight.com, Inc. (7034); Sears Brands, L.L.C. (4664); Sears Buying Services, Inc. (6533); Kmart.com LLC (9022); Sears Brands Management Corporation (5365); and SRe Holding Corporation (4816). The location of the Debtors’ corporate headquarters is 3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60179.

**Recitals**

A. The Landlord and the Debtors are parties to that certain lease expiring on August 31, 2022 (as amended and/or modified, the “Lease”) of nonresidential real property (the “Premises”) located at the Mall of America, Bloomington, Minnesota (Store No. 1722).

B. On October 15, 2018, the above-captioned debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “Bankruptcy Court”).

C. On January 23, 2019, the Debtors filed and served on the applicable counterparties the *Supplemental Notice of Cure Costs and Potential Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases in Connection with Global Sale Transaction* (ECF No. 1774) (the “Supplemental Notice”). The Lease was among the leases identified in the Supplemental Notice.

D. On January 30, 2019, the Landlord filed *MOAC Mall Holding LLC’s Objection to Supplemental Notice of Cure Costs and Potential Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases In Connection with Global Sale Transaction* (the “Landlord Cure Objection”) (ECF No. 2199) objecting to the Assumption and Assignment Notices with respect to the Cure Amount and Adequate Assurance for the Lease.

E. On February 8, 2019, the *Order (I) Approving the Asset Purchase Agreement Among Sellers and Buyer, (II) Authorizing the Sale of Certain of the Debtors’ Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances, (III) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts, and Leases in Connection Therewith, and (IV) Granting Related Relief* (the “Sale Order”) (ECF No. 2507) was entered by the Bankruptcy Court, approving the sale of certain assets of the Debtors to the Buyer.

F. In accordance with the terms of the Sale Order, the Buyer was permitted to designate Additional Contracts and Designatable Leases (collectively, the “Additional Assigned Agreements”) for assumption and assignment for up to sixty (60) days after the Closing Date (the “Designation Rights Period”), which occurred on February 11, 2019. The Debtors and the Buyer agreed to an extension of the Designation Rights Period and, on April 12, 2019, the Debtors filed the *Notice of Amendment to Asset Purchase Agreement Extending Certain Deadlines* (the “Extension Notice”) (ECF No. 3171), which extended the Designation Rights Period to May 3, 2019 for certain Designatable Leases including the Lease and to May 13, 2019 for Additional Contracts.

G. On April 2, 2019, the Bankruptcy Court entered the *Order (I) Authorizing Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Leases and (II) Granting Related Relief* (the “Assumption and Assignment Order”) (ECF No. 3008).

H. On April 19, 2019, the Buyer filed the *Statement/Notice of Assumption of Additional Designatable Leases* (ECF No. 3298) (the “Assumption Notice”), designating the Lease for assumption and assignment to the Buyer or Buyer affiliate pursuant to the terms of the Assumption and Assignment Order, subject to the Bankruptcy Court’s approval and the right of counterparties to object as set forth in the Assumption Notice and the Assumption and Assignment Order.

I. On May 2, 2019, the Landlord filed *MOAC Mall Holding LLC’s Second Supplemental and Amended: (I) Objections to Debtor’s Notice of Assumption and Assignment of Additional Designatable Leases, and (II) Objection to Debtor’s Stated Cure Amount* (the “Second Supplemental Objection”) (ECF No. 3501). The deadline for the Debtors to assume or reject the

leases pursuant to section 365(d)(4) of the Bankruptcy Code, including the Lease, was May 13, 2019 (the “Section 365(d)(4) Period”).

J. On May 7, 2019, the Buyer filed the *Notice of Presentment of Stipulation and Order By and Among Sellers, Buyer, and Landlord MOAC Mall Holding LLC (I) Extending Time Under 11 U.S.C. § 365(d)(4) for Lease of Nonresidential Real Property and (II) Setting Briefing Schedule* (ECF No. 3686).

K. On May 13, 2019, the Bankruptcy Court entered the *Stipulation and Order By and Among Sellers, Buyer, and Landlord MOAC Mall Holding LLC (I) Extending Time Under 11 U.S.C. § 365(d)(4) for Lease of Nonresidential Real Property and (II) Setting Briefing Schedule* (ECF No. 3823) extending the Section 365(d)(4) Period to June 30, 2019.

L. On May 17, 2019, the Landlord filed *MOAC Mall Holding LLC’s Third Supplemental and Amended Objections to Debtor’s Notice of Assumption and Assignment of Additional Designatable Leases* (ECF No. 3926) (together with the Landlord Cure Objection and the Second Supplemental Objection, the “Landlord Objections”).

M. On June 17, 2019, the Buyer filed the *Notice of Presentment of Stipulation and Order By and Among Sellers, Buyer, and Landlord MOAC Mall Holding LLC Extending Time Under 11 U.S.C. § 365(d)(4) for Lease of Nonresidential Real Property* (ECF No. 4252). On June 25, 2019, the Court entered the *So Ordered Stipulation Signed on 6/25/2019 by and Among Sellers, Buyer, and Landlord MOAC Mall Holding LLC Extending Time Under 11 U.S.C. § 365(d)(4) for Lease of Nonresidential Real Property and Setting Briefing Schedule* (ECF No. 4354).

N. The Section 365(d)(4) Period currently expires on July 31, 2019.

O. The Buyer desires additional time to resolve the issues raised by the Landlord Objections.

**IT IS THEREFORE AGREED, AND UPON BANKRUPTCY COURT APPROVAL  
HEREOF, IT SHALL BE ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Landlord hereby consents to a further extension of the Section 365(d)(4) Period to and including August 31, 2019.

2. This Stipulation and Order shall be deemed effective and in full force and effect on the date of entry of this Stipulation and Order.

3. Pursuant to section 365(d)(4) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Section 365(d)(4) Period is hereby extended to and including August 31, 2019. For the avoidance of doubt, such date shall remain the applicable date by which assumption or rejection of the Lease shall be permitted regardless of the date of confirmation of any plan of reorganization of the Debtors.

4. The Debtors and Buyer further stipulate that the Mall of America is a shopping center pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 365(b)(3).

5. This Stipulation and Order hereby constitutes “prior written consent of the lessor” under section 365(d)(4)(B)(ii) of the Bankruptcy Code and no further consent of the Landlord shall be required with respect to the extension to August 31, 2019.

6. In addition to any other obligations it may have under the Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of January 17, 2019, as amended, the Buyer agrees to bear all occupancy costs relating to the Lease during the period from May 13, 2019 through the Section 365(d)(4) Period, as extended by this Stipulation and Order. In the event of nonpayment during the Section 365(d)(4) Period, the Landlord’s rights and remedies under Bankruptcy Code section 365(d)(3) shall be limited to rights to assert payment from the Buyer, and the Buyer reserves all rights to contest any such claims.

7. Nothing herein shall be deemed to alter, amend or otherwise modify the terms of the Lease, and such terms shall continue in full force and effect up to the effective date of (a) rejection of the Lease or (b) assumption of the Lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Assumption and Assignment Order and any supplementary order of the Bankruptcy Court with respect thereto.

8. The Debtors, the Buyer and the Landlord agree that remaining outstanding issues, including any and all objections to (i) the Debtors' Notice of Assumption and Assignment of Designatable Leases, and (ii) the Debtors' stated cure amount, shall be preserved, without prejudice to any Party, and shall be determined by the Bankruptcy Court, at a hearing before the Bankruptcy Court, beginning on August 22, 2019, or such other date as may be agreed to by the Parties.

9. This Stipulation and Order is without prejudice to the Parties' agreement in writing to an additional extension of the Section 365(d)(4) Period beyond August 31, 2019; provided, however, that nothing in this Stipulation and Order obligates any of the Parties to agree to such an additional extension.

10. This Stipulation and Order shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Parties, their successors and assigns.

11. This Stipulation and Order may be executed in one or more counterparts, which collectively shall form one and the same agreement. Any of the Parties may execute this Stipulation and Order by signing any such counterpart and each of such counterparts (whether an original or a copy) shall for all purposes be deemed an original.

12. Pending entry of this Stipulation and Order by the Bankruptcy Court, none of the Parties shall take actions inconsistent with the provisions of this Stipulation and Order. In the

event that this Stipulation and Order is not approved by the Bankruptcy Court or is not executed by the Parties, (a) nothing herein shall be used against any of the Parties hereto for any reason and (b) the obligations of the Parties under this Stipulation and Order shall be null and void, and with the exception of this paragraph, the Parties' respective rights and obligations under applicable law shall remain unaffected by this Stipulation and Order.

13. The Bankruptcy Court shall have jurisdiction over any action or proceeding arising out of, or relating to, this Stipulation and Order.

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**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: White Plains, New York  
July \_\_, 2019

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE